# FISCAL NOTE

# HB 3576 - SB 3695

March 3, 2006

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Excludes from the definition of "business", as it applies to sales and use tax law, non-profit organizations and public schools engaging in no more than two fundraising events during a calendar year in which sales of tangible personal property are made during a temporary sales period. Exempts such sales from the sales and use tax. Requires any sales occurring during the third and subsequent fundraising events to be considered sales at retail.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

Decrease State Revenues - Exceeds \$184,000

### Decrease Local Govt. Revenues - Exceeds \$59,000

### Assumptions:

- 3,351 charitable organizations in Tennessee (Tennessee Fact Book).
- Charitable organizations and non-profit organizations are synonymous.
- 1,686 public schools in Tennessee during FY05-06 (Tennessee Fact Book).
- Total number of entities affected is estimated at 5,037 (3,351 charitable organizations + 1,686 public schools = 5,037 total).
- 25% (1,259) of entities do not conduct any fundraising events during any calendar year.
- Of the remaining 75% who would conduct annual fundraising events (3,778), each averages approximately 1.75 events per year.
- Estimated number of annual events is 6,612 (3,778 entities X 1.75 annual events = 6,612 total events).
- Average sales are \$400 per event.
- Annual sales are estimated to exceed \$2,640,000 (6,612 annual events X \$400 per event = \$2,644,800).
- State sales tax rate is 7%.
- The decrease of state revenues is estimated to exceed \$184,000 (\$2,640,000 in taxable sales X 7% state rate = \$184,800).
- Local option tax rate averages 2.25%.

- The decrease of local government revenues is estimated to exceed \$59,000 (\$2,640,000 X 2.25% = \$59,400).
- This act shall take effect July 1, 2006.

# **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director